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INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. 2 April 2003 5 April 2002 PCT/EP 03/03439 TITLE OF INVENTION: USE OF POLYMERS COMPRISING THERMOPLASTIC POLYMERS AS FILTER AIDS AND/OR **STABILIZERS** APPLICANT(S)FOR DO/EO/US Christian DROHMANN, Tobias PETSCH, Thomas KESSLER, Frank MUELLER, Elisa Hamm de BANTELEON, Klemens MATHAUER Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information: 1. /X/ This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. 2.// This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. This express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C.371(f)) at any time rather than delay examination 3. /X/ until the expiration of the applicable time limit set in 35 U.S.C. 371(b) and PCT Articles 22 and 39(1). A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority 4. /x / date. 5. /X / A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). a./X / is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau). b.// has been transmitted by the International Bureau. is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US0). c.// ¥ 6. /x / A translation of the International Application into English (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). 7. /x / Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau). a./x / have been transmitted by the International Bureau. b.// have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. c.// have not been made and will not be made. d.// 8. /x / A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19(35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). 9. /x / An oath or declaration of the inventor(s)(35 U.S.C. 171(c)(4)). A translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)). 10.// Items 11, to 16, below concern other document(s) or information included: An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. 11./x / 12./x / An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. A FIRST preliminary amendment. 13./x/ A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment. 14.// A substitute specification. 15.// A change of power of attorney and/or address letter. 16./X/ Other items or information.

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